

**Community Corrections Partnership (CCP)
Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, February 15th, 2023, 3:00pm
City Hall – Caldwell Park Room 2nd Floor
777 Cypress Avenue, Redding CA**

MEMBERS	Title/Agency	Present	Absent
Tracie Neal	Chief of Probation - Chairperson	X	
Bill Schueller	City of Redding Police Chief		X
Michael Johnson	Shasta County Sheriff	X	
Stephanie Bridgett	Shasta County District Attorney	X	
William Bateman	Shasta County Public Defender	X	
Melissa Fowler-Bradley	Shasta County Superior Court	X	
Laura Burch	Agency Director of Shasta County Health & Human Services Agency (HSA)		X

Attendees:

Chelsey Chappelle, Carol Ulloa, Michael Flynn, Melanie Jarrett, Katy Payne-Scates, Daren Fisher – **Shasta County Probation**

Nolda Short – **Shasta County Auditor Controller's Office**

Stewart Buettell – **Shasta County Administrative Office**

Sarah Murphy, Cindy Wilson, Angie Mellis – **Shasta County District Attorney's Office**

Christy Coleman – **Shasta County Health and Human Services Agency**

Tim Garman – **Shasta County Supervisor**

Ron Icely – **Redding Police Department**

Danielle Gehrung – **Shasta Day Reporting Center**

Robert Bowman – **Shasta College STEP-UP Program**

John Stapp, Cathy Sosa – **Northern Valley Catholic Social Service (PATH Housing)**

Meeting Overview

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was present. Introductions were made.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Meeting Minutes

Melissa Fowler-Bradley moved to approve the meeting minutes for January 18th, 2023, with grammatical errors noted. Michael Johnson seconded the motion. Motion passed: 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstentions.

Financial Report

Financial Report on the State allocation to Shasta County

Stewart Buettell reported revenue is tracking consistent with the governor's budget. Stewart noted the governor's budget is substantially higher than the county's budget. Stewart said although the statewide revenues are trending lower than anticipated in the May revised budget, it's unlikely our AB109 revenues will materialize lower than what was included in the county budget.

Discussion Items

- A. Committee members will receive a presentation from staff on the Participants' Action To Housing (PATH) Program.*

John Stapp and Cathy Sosa from Northern Valley Catholic Social Service Participants' Action To Housing (PATH) program provided a presentation. A handout with PATH statistics was provided to the group. John gave an overview of the program starting with referrals from Probation staff. Once the referral is made, John or Cathy contacts the individual and begins the intake process. The program consists of four weeks of individual classes with the participants on budgeting, personal health and safety (what resources are in the community), social relationship skills and how to work with landlords and other tenants. John said he and Cathy are flexible in scheduling classes as most of the population they are working with are employed. John and Cathy work with each participant to create a sample rental application to support the process for future rental applications. John said the program will financially support one rental application at a time for each participant and the loaned amount for the deposit goes directly to the landlord once the participant is approved for housing. They also conduct regular home visits after the participant moves into their new home and they maintain contact with the participant for the lifetime of their loan. John discussed the value of community outreach to build relationships with landlords and their role to help resolve issues between the landlord or other tenants to maintain those relationships.

The CCP also granted NVCSS seven housing subsidies. John and Cathy determine who is appropriate for those subsidies. John said they use the subsidies to pay for secured housing and the participant pays NVCSS a portion of the rent, then the rent payment gradually increases until the participant can pay the full amount. These subsidies are for individuals who have situations such as, no rental history, new income, or a landlord who has a lack of trust with the program or the probation population.

- B. Committee members will receive a presentation from Assistant Chief Probation Officer, Chelsey Chappelle on the Correctional Program Checklist.*

Tracie Neal shared with the group that CCP planning dollars were used to provide 8 individuals, 7 Probation employees and one Sheriff's Department employee, the Correctional Program Checklist and Correctional Program Checklist - Group Assessment training.

Chelsey Chappelle gave a brief overview of the Correctional Program Checklist assessment tools. Chelsey said these 8 individuals were trained in the Correctional Program Checklist and then trained in the Correctional Program Checklist - Group Assessment a year later. These tools measure how well a group or program is aligned with the principles of effective correctional intervention. Chelsey explained the assessments are looking at the group/program at that moment as a "snapshot in time". Ongoing

communication occurs with the group/program director prior to the assessment site visit. The site visits are a day long process. The process consists of interviews of the director, staff, and participants. Group observation is conducted and supporting documents are reviewed. The individuals completing the assessment then come together as a group for discussion and use an evidence-based scoring mechanism to rate the group/program's adherence to evidence-based practices and interventions based on research on what works to reduce recidivism. Once this rating is complete, a report is generated focusing on group/program strengths and areas of improvement, to include targeted recommendations. A draft report is provided for review, feedback, and discussion. Once the report is finalized, it is also provided to the appropriate Probation Director to help support the program. Twelve groups/programs have been assessed to date. This year Pathways to Hope for Children's Hope Park program will be assessed and Remi Vista's MRT program for youth is tentatively scheduled for a reassessment. Reassessments allow for the ability to see growth of a group/program over time. Chelsey noted some programs are more difficult to assess and score using the CPC/CPC-GA assessment tools, such as the 52-week batterers treatment program for individuals convicted of domestic violence, due to factors such as the mandated length of time an individual is required to participate in the program. However, these tools still provide relevant review of a group/program's strengths and areas of improvement even with these limitations. These assessment tools are based on an "ideal" program, and no group/program will ever score 100%. Chelsey stated the Correctional Program Checklist assessment tools elicit conversations and build relationships, and allows the assessment team to see where the program is doing a great job and where improvements can be made.

Action Items

- A. *Committee members will review, discuss, and consider approving the FY 2023/24 budget requests and distribution percentages. Should the item not be approved, the committee shall consider approving a special meeting for this purpose and provide further direction to staff.*

Tracie Neal provided a handout with Fiscal year 2023/2024 budget information. Tracie said the CCP had a very good meeting on January 18th regarding the budget and the results and distribution percentages on the handout are a result of that meeting. Tracie walked through the budget requests and how the funding was organized. Tracie also provided the 2023/2024 AB109 Budget detail, which shows a projection for the fund balance and how far into future those funds are anticipated to go. Tracie indicated the County is still waiting to receive the FY 23/24 AB109 allocation funds from the Governor. The Governor is still proposing to fund the \$100,000 CCP planning and training dollars and the County will receive those funds as long as the CCPEC continues to submit the Community Correction Partnership Survey to the BSCC each December.

Stephanie Bridgett made a motion to approve the FY 2023/24 budget requests and distribution percentage. Motion was seconded by William Bateman. Motion passed: 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, 0 Abstentions.

William Bateman made a comment noting each of the agencies are addressing issues like substance abuse, mental health, housing, and jail capacity that affect our community. He feels the CCPEC is doing what it should and what it can do with the choices in funding. He feels the budget is really trying to address the issues that our county faces. Tracie Neal agreed with this comment and provided a little more information on the committee's efforts in these areas.

Melissa Fowler-Bradley made a comment noting there is still one significant problem she has identified that progress hasn't been made on despite the amount of money put forth. She identified this problem as having a large percentage of people who are convicted, but not yet sentenced because they don't return to court. She feels law enforcement loses interest because it is a very tough job to locate those persons, so they are out in the community committing more crime, getting re-arrested on new charges and causing a continual cycle. Tracie commented on the multiplying cases one person can have while on Probation. Melissa shared a story relating to this struggle. William agreed, but highlighted the creative ways and efforts put forth to try and overcome these barriers and find solutions to these problems. He feels we are doing an effective job to the extent that can be done.

Operational Updates

Robert Bowman from Step-Up said he was asked to speak at the American Association for Community Colleges Workforce Development Institute in Palm Springs. Part of the reason Robert was asked to speak was because of Shasta County's unique model. Robert said Shasta County is receiving national attention in terms of partnering with Work Release and Alternative Custody, so he was able to share information about the alternative custody model. He stated there could be an opportunity to receive some support for the tattoo removal program down the road through the Metallica Scholars Initiative. On campus, the college has been funded through the State for basic needs, so Step-Up is able to leverage other resources from the campus based on the person's unmet needs. Robert has been able to secure funding for assistance such as bed space at a treatment facility for a student, a deposit to secure an apartment, fuel cards, and various other items. They are also working with HHSA and CalFresh to expand the food pantry. They are hoping to build on the grocery boxes and provide fruits, vegetables, and eventually meats. Robert announced the Juvenile Justice Initiative will hold a conference in March 2023 and Robert is excited to get that funding secured for the juvenile community, both in and out of custody. There will be enough money to build a program and fund another representative. Robert also announced they have a counselor for Step-Up, so his students now have more resources and a dedicated financial aid advisor and academic advisor. Robert said graduation is May 11, 2023, at 3:00pm in the theater.

Danielle Gehrung said the Day Reporting Center brought on a Licensed Clinical Social Worker last month. The LCSW will support the mental health population that the DRC serves and increase responsiveness to their needs to help with their success in the program. Having a LCSW also supports the DRC's Medi-Cal certification.

Other Items for Discussion/Future Agenda Items

Tracie Neal noted items to be discussed at future meetings, including but not limited to: discussion on the Local Innovation Subaccount and growth dollars; a Jail beds and contract jail beds presentation; a DA Misdemeanor Diversion Program Presentation and a DA Victim Witness Program Presentation.

Tracie asked if Melissa Fowler-Bradley would like to add anything about the Court backlog or warrant sweeps to a future agenda. Tracie and Melissa will meet to discuss this more in depth.

Tracie opened the floor for additional topics.

Sheriff Michael Johnson said the CCP Executive Committee needs to be updated on the Incompetent to Stand Trial (IST) program during the jail beds and contract beds presentation. This is a new program the state is implementing. Also, some of the Sheriffs in the north state have been working with Mental Health to try to build a concept of a regionalized mental health facility. Melissa Fowler-Bradley shared information on the new program, competency, and fines. Michael expanded on that and spoke about what the new bill requires for those declared incompetent to stand trial and the impact the special treatment and housing requirements place on the jail and jail capacity. He also spoke about the limited number of persons each county can send to mental health facilities and the fines Shasta County will incur if we go over that number. At the end of the year the county can access their fine money for mental health programs, but these funds won't be enough for each county to pay for these programs individually, which is why he is working with other Sheriffs in the north state. Tracie and Michael will meet to discuss this more in depth later.

Meeting Schedules

Full Committee March 15, 2023, City Hall – Caldwell Park Room 2nd Floor 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Executive Committee May 17, 2023, City Hall – Caldwell Park Room 2nd Floor 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Full Committee September 13, 2023, City Hall – Civic Center Community Room 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Executive Committee October 18, 2023, City Hall – Caldwell Park Room 2nd Floor 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Stephanie Bridgett made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Michael Johnson. Motion to Adjourn was passed with 5 Ayes, 0 Noes, and 0 Abstentions. Meeting was adjourned at 4:07pm.